

OBSERVE THEIR
SILVER WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. James Hollis
Cheney Receive Their Many
Friends.

TO HAVE NEW POST-OFFICE

Invitations for Bids Have Been
Issued by the United States
Government.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ASHLAND, VA., January 26.—This
week in Ashland has been replete with
its own bonds and the many func-
tions in Richmond, in which Ashland
people have figured conspicuously.

The prominent event of the week
here was the silver wedding anniver-
sary of Mr. and Mrs. James Hollis
Cheney. Mr. Cheney is well known
as having been for a number of years
a member of the firm of Breeden-
Talley Company, and afterwards with
Dewey Hughes Company. Mrs. Cheney
was formerly Miss Ida B. Taylor, of
Washington, D. C., a sister of Mrs.
Branch Clay Browning, the noted singer
of Washington, D. C. The list of invited
guests practically includes the entire
visiting list of the town. The house
was tastefully decorated, and refresh-
ments were served. Among those pre-
sent were the following: Mrs. Henry
Carter, Mr. J. M. Cox, Mrs. Branch
Clay Browning, Mr. Edward Breeden,
Miss Browning, of Washington; Mrs.
E. A. Robinson, Miss Mary Anne Morris
and Miss Emily Morris, Mrs. George
Morris, Mrs. Taylor Robinson, Mrs.
Pewstater Breeden, Mr. Edward Breeden,
Mrs. Smith, of Washington; Mrs.
Evans, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs.
A. P. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Richard
Cheney, Mr. and Mrs. Tate Cheney,
Mrs. H. M. Tyler, Miss Mary Hawes
Tyler, Professor and Mrs. R. B.
Smith, Dr. R. E. Blackwell, Mr. R.
A. Taylor, Mrs. Walter Williams, Mr.
and Mrs. Morgan Shepherd, Miss Annie
Morris, Miss Mideotte, Mr. Charles
Pendleton, Dr. McLendon Dr. and Mrs.
D. B. Easter, Mr. and Mrs. James
Hughes, Mr. Stonewall Jackson Dose-
well, Mr. Frank Cox, Mr. and Mrs.
James Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Lottell
Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E.
Potts, Mrs. Crown, Mrs. Coulter, Mrs.
T. N. Jones, Mr. Shirley Carter, Misses
Hendson, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cardwell,
Mrs. Carr, Mr. Leslie Ellis, Mr. Daniel
Ellis, Mr. Walter Reed, Mr. R. B.
Miss Mary Anderson, Mrs. Maryo, Mr.
and Mrs. Dickerson, Misses Wright,
Miss Fannie Lancaster, Mr. J. L. Price,
Mrs. Wightman, Mr. F. Fox, Rev. S.
S. Hepburn, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Cox,
Mr. Charles Bridges, Miss Conde
Bridges, Miss Carrie Vandiver, Miss
Julia Nixon, Miss Gussie Nixon, Miss
Bessie Ladow, Miss Amelia Kerr, Mrs.
Illi Carter, Miss Todd, Dr. W. E. Dodd,
Mrs. Allan Maury, and Miss Vaden.

Mr. E. L. Bailey, of Hanover county,
returned today to his home here after
spending a week in Massachusetts, where
he went to sell his farm in that State.
He reports the thermometer at 27 below
zero at his old home in Massachusetts.

Miss Mary Mallory, who has been visit-
ing friends in Washington, has returned
to her home, near here.

A number of families from the cold
Northwest are moving into Hanover
county. Mr. John Franklin, of Pennsylvania,
accompanied by friends, will soon take
up his residence near here.

Rev. S. S. Hepburn, who was formerly
the pastor here, will preach in St. James'
Episcopal Church, in Ashland, on Sunday
night.

Practically the entire right of way has
now been secured by the Ashland Gas,
Sewer and Water Company for its sewers
from the outer limits of the town to the
Famunkler River. The remaining prop-
erty-owners were recently brought in line,
and the company is meeting with a
hearty co-operation on the part of the
enterprising citizens.

Invitations for proposals to erect a new
up-to-date stone or brick post-office build-
ing at Ashland are now being advertised
by the Post-Office Department.

Miss Mai W. Jordan, daughter of Rev.
and Mrs. E. M. Jordan, formerly of Ash-
land, will be married in Cambridge, Md.,
on February 6th, to Dr. William P.
Kellum.

Miss McLendon sister of Dr. McLen-
don, of the college, was entertained last
night by Dr. and Mrs. Carter, at their
home, in Ashland.

Mayor Bradford Kilby, of Suffolk, Va.,
formerly a student of Randolph-Macon
College, visited his friends here this week.

HOME STUDY.

Novel Feature of Christ Church
Sunday-School.

A novel feature of the Home Depart-
ment of Christ Church Sunday School is
a correspondence school for the study

at home of the Bible lessons used in the
Sunday school. This branch of the Home
Department gives to its members the
privilege of writing their lessons, hav-
ing corrections made and asking questions.
Lessons in the form of question leaflets
are sent every week in addition to the
quarterly, which is sent at the beginning
of each quarter.

Organized with a class of ten members
a few months ago, it has so won its way
without advertisement, except through
members telling their friends, that it now
has members located in nearly all parts
of the city. So widely has it spread that
story papers and magazines of a charac-
ter to connect the home with the Sunday
school are given to the members. In place
of loaning library books from the school,
which would be impossible to distribute
and properly return from so many distant
points.

It is stated that every street but one
from Eighteenth to Thirty-second Streets
has one or more members. About sixty-
five per cent. of those to whom lessons

Sydnor & Hundley's
ANNUAL
Red Tag Sale.

February is upon us!
We have the immense stock!
It must be reduced to make room!
The stock is superior to that of any previous season, and
is in the South!

Notwithstanding this we must make room for the coming
season's products!

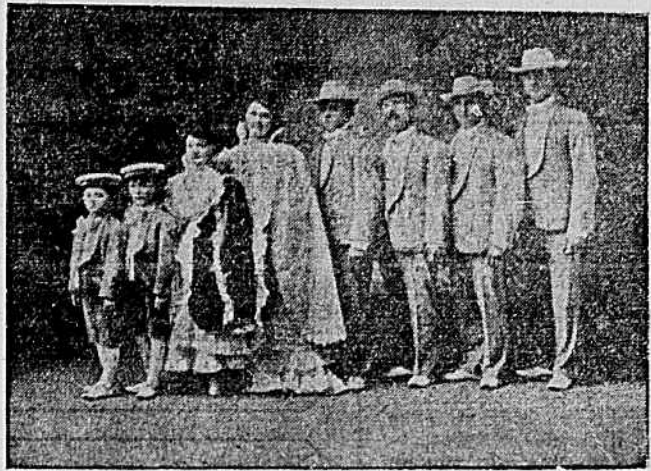
We lead the procession!

See the goods and prices!

We make the great cut; you get the great advantage in
money saved!

Sale Begins February First
at 8 A. M.

Sydnor & Hundley, Inc.
LEADERS
709-711-713 East Broad Street.

CORNALLAS TO SHOW
AT SKATING RINK

THE EIGHT CORNALLAS.

An engagement of interest in that of
the eight Cornallas, premier European
skaters, at the skating rink all next
week.

The introduction of the very top-notch
performances on the vaudeville stage is
something new to Richmond, and a fea-
ture never before attempted in
roller-skating amusement lines.

In this troupe there are four men,
two women and two boys, whose act
has amused the patrons of all of the
big playhouses through the North and
West.

To secure the eight Cornallas for a
week's engagement in Richmond, with
an afternoon and evening performance
every day, required a considerable out-
lay, and in order to partially meet this
heavy expense, the general admission

has been raised slightly, but still re-
mains within the reach of every one.
The afternoon performance will be
given at 5 o'clock for the special bene-
fit of the ladies and children, and the
night performance at 8:30 o'clock.

In addition to the act of the eight
Cornallas, a series of new pictures will
be shown throughout the week, em-
bracing those exhibited on Friday
night.

The program for next Friday night
has not been completed as yet, but an
special attraction will be added to that
of the Cornallas and the new pictures
for that night. Negotiations are pend-
ing with several fast skaters to come
here on this occasion, and if possible,
one or two good races between skaters
of prominence will be arranged.

are sent write these lessons, and about
forty-five per cent. have written every
lesson sent to them since becoming mem-
bers. No charge is made for membership
certificates. The only requirement is that
the applicant promise to study the les-
sons.

The regular meeting of the Frances
Willard Temperance Union will be held
at the Assembly M. E. Church, Lombard
Street, at 4 P. M. on Tuesday. New
members are desired.

Letter From Mrs. Roosevelt.
ALTON, ILL., Jan. 26.—A letter addressed
to Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, is being held at
the upper Alton postoffice because the
writer neglected to place a postage stamp
on the envelope. Postmaster C. Selze has
sent a formal notice to Mrs. Roosevelt that
the letter will be forwarded when the neces-
sary two cents are remitted.

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Charged with being a suspicious charac-
ter, but believed by the police to be a
satchel thief, a white man, who gave his
name as John D. Mixson, and who came
here from Norfolk about five days ago,
was arrested last night at 12 o'clock by
Officer Zimmer and locked up at the First
Police Station. He will be given a pre-
liminary hearing Monday morning before
Judge Critchfield.

When arrested last night Mixson was
searched, and a check for a value worth
more than twenty-five dollars, and which
it is claimed, belonged to a traveling man,
was found on his person. Mr. Disney, of
Murphy's Hotel, had noticed the suspi-
cious actions of the man for several days,
and the detectives had been watching him.
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NEWS GATHERED
FROM SOUTHSIDE

Death in Richmond Yesterday of
Former Resident of
Manchester.

OESLAGER IS HEAVILY FINED

Question of Electric Plant for the
City—Personals and
Briefs.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch,
No. 117 Hull Street.

Mr. W. W. Collins, who was formerly
a resident of Manchester, but who of
late had lived at No. 313 North Twenty-
sixth Street, Richmond, died yesterday
morning at 8 o'clock at his home. He
was fifty-three years of age and is sur-
vived by his wife and eight children.

Mr. Collins was born in Keyville, and
moved to Manchester several years ago.
He resided here for some time, when he
went to Richmond to live. He was a
member of Liberty Council, No. 13, Jr.
O. U. A. M., of Swansboro, and a dele-
gation from this council will attend the
funeral, which will take place in Key-
ville, Va.

He Made Amends.
Wesley Oeslager, a glass-blower, who
was charged with cutting William Dud-
ley, a fellow-employee, was yesterday
fined \$100 in the Corporation Court,
ordered to jail for ten days and re-
quired to pay the physician's bill of the
injured man.

Mr. E. H. Wells defended the pris-
oner, and showed to the court that there
was no felonious intent. The man who
did the cutting had been for a long time
a friend of the wounded man, and after
he had inflicted the wounds had im-
mediately done what he could to make
amends for his deed. The extenuating
circumstances saved Oeslager from a
possibly long term in jail, or perhaps
a short sentence in the penitentiary.

Electric Light Plant.
Free electric light for Manchester will
soon be a thing of the past, and the ques-
tion of building a plant for municipal
lighting is one that is greatly agitated
at this time. The Chesapeake, Passenger
and Power Company five years ago offered
the city seventy arc lights free of cost.
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PAST MASTERS
HAVE THEIR DAY

Masons Supposed to Be "on the
Shelf," Get Off One
Night.

ROYAL BANQUET ENJOYED

Eloquent Address by Judge In-
gram Charms Men of the
Mystic Tie.

The Past Masters' Association, a se-
lect Masonic organization of Richmond,
held its annual meeting and enjoyed its
annual banquet at the Masonic Temple
last night. Fifty of the past-masters were
present, and a more enthusiastic gathering
of the men of the square and compass
never got together in this city.

The meeting, which was held in the
lodge room, was, of course, of the usual
Masonic secrecy, and the most of the
"work" done was shut out from public
view.

Promptly at 8 o'clock the president
of the body, Mr. Leon Wallerstein,
called the meeting to order in "due
and ancient form" and after the
transaction of such business as is not
to be known outside the "work" was sus-
pended and the brethren took up the
lighter features of the Masonic life.

Splendid Address.
Judge John H. Ingram, of the Law
and Equity Court, was gracefully intro-
duced by the presiding officer, as the
speaker of the evening. Judge Ingram
spoke from carefully prepared man-
uscript, but did not confine himself to
the paper before him, branching off at
times in flights of eloquence that not
only charmed his hearers, but drew
from them applause without stint. His
address was purely Masonic, being a
review of the origin and history of the
order in Virginia, and a summary of
the great and wonderful work it has
accomplished in the name of brotherly
love, relief and truth, the three cardinal
virtues of the fraternity.

The Past-Masters were so pleased and
charmed with the address of Judge In-
gram that they, by unanimous vote, re-
quested of him the privilege of having it
published in pamphlet form for distribu-
tion among the craft.

Officers Elected.
At the short business meeting following
the address, the following officers of the
association were elected for the ensu-
ing year:

President, Frank T. Sutton, of Joppa
Lodge, No. 40.
Vice-President, David C. Richardson, of
Henrico Lodge, No. 130.
Secretary and Treasurer, Isadore Lov-
elace.

Sergeant-at-Arms, John E. Epps, of
Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 12.
Chorister, Frank W. Cunningham, of
St. John's Lodge, No. 36.

After these officers had been duly in-
stalled the lodge was called to order for
refreshments, and Colonel Jo Lane
Stern was put in military command to
form the small army in line of march
for the banquet hall. He found very
obedient soldiers and marchers.

A royal banquet was served in the
best style of the art known to that
prince of caterers, "Past Grandmaster"
Krouse, and when the mystic tie men
had reached coffee and cigars another
flood of stately and turned loose.

The after-dinner speaker was Mr. L.
Z. Morris, representing the Grand Lodge
of Virginia; Right Worshipful J. W. Eg-
gleston, from the same body; Ben P.
Owen, representing Swansboro, which
"looks down upon Manchester," and Man-
chester, "which looks down upon Rich-
mond," those in general cause the famous
"possum lodge in particular," which
looks down upon the whole business.

These speakers were followed by Colonel
Jo Lane Stern, who represented the "per-
secuted married men," and spoke feeling-
ly, not to say lovingly for them; Mr. Min-
nie Polke, who spoke for last and order
and several other things not necessary to
mention, told the whole truth he told;
Mr. N. R. Savage, who spoke very briefly
for old No. 12; Mr. Edwin P. Cox, who
spoke on general principles; Judge Bever-
ly Crump, who made a sort of centennial
speech, one of the kind heard only once
in a hundred years, and Dr. C. W. P.
Brock, who told of the blessings of Ma-
sonry in war times.

Between speeches Chorister Frank
Cunningham was kept busy, and once,
by special request, he sang the old
favorite, "While the Days Are Long
By," and in all of his life he never sang
it better or sweeter.

The best meeting the past masters
have ever held was closed with the
singing of "America." Colonel Jo Lane
Stern suggested that the closing ode
should be "Auld Lang Syne," but Presi-
dent Wallerstein said the program, as
arranged, called for "America."

"All right," said the colonel, "I guess
I can sing either quite as badly," and
the grand old "America" was sung as
only true Americans can sing it. And
then the past masters dispersed.

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